

A VERY BIG FAMILY!

Have you got a brother or a sister?
How many have you got? One?
Two? Maybe more?



Damien Baxter is very lucky. He's got fourteen brothers and sisters!

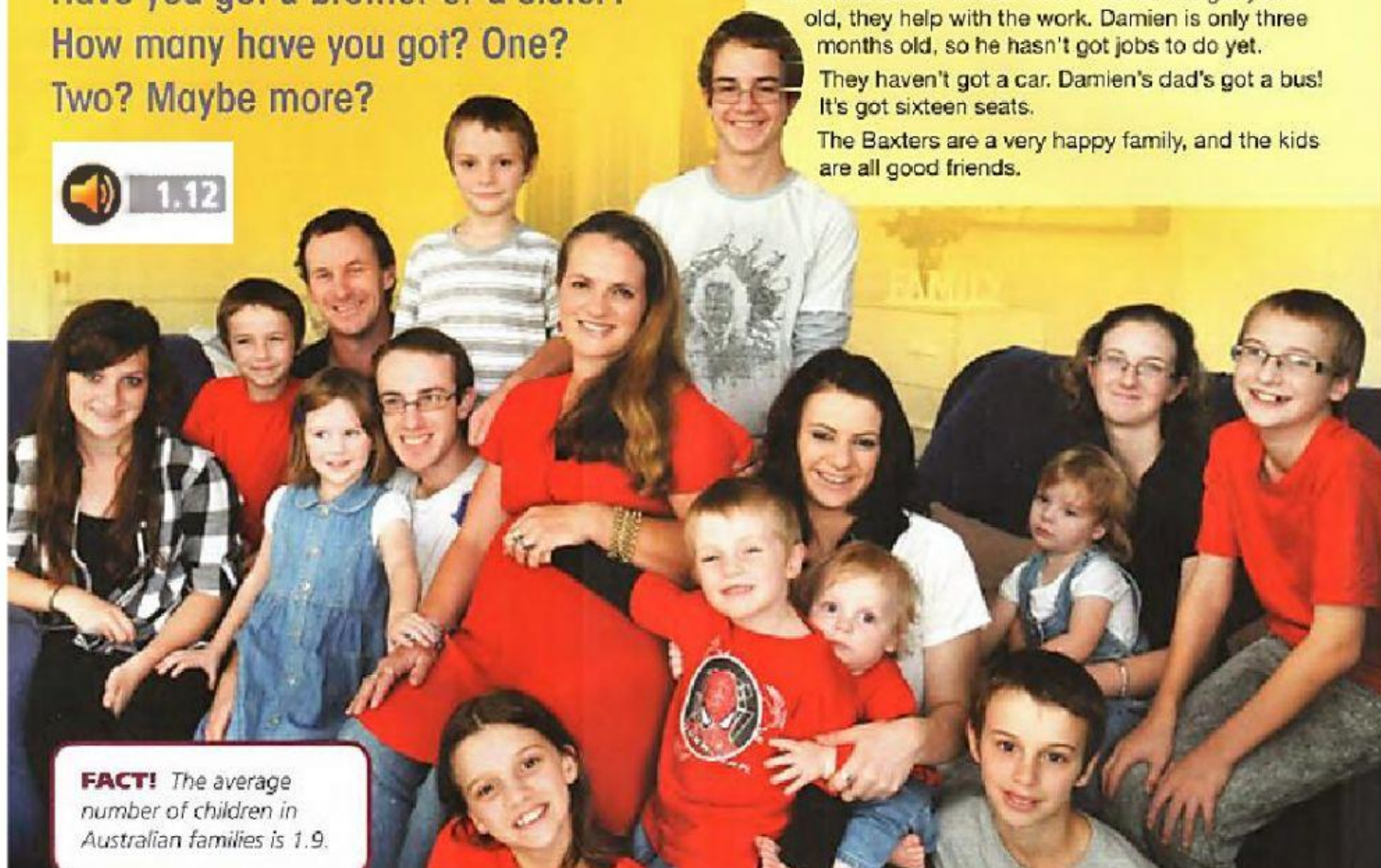
The family lives in a big house in Western Australia. The house has got seven bedrooms, and lots of beds. It isn't a quiet house. It's a very noisy house with lots of children in it.

Three of Damien's brothers and sisters are adults. They've got children too. Damien is a baby, but he's an uncle to those children!

The Baxter family is very busy. There's lots of work to do in the Baxter house. When a child is eight years old, they help with the work. Damien is only three months old, so he hasn't got jobs to do yet.

They haven't got a car. Damien's dad's got a bus! It's got sixteen seats.

The Baxters are a very happy family, and the kids are all good friends.



FACT! The average number of children in Australian families is 1.9.

Is it a happy family? **yes** **no**

Read the text again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false ones.

- 1 Damien is not a baby. *F*
- 2 There are fifteen boys in the family. *T F*
- 3 Three of his brothers and sisters aren't children. *T F*
- 4 Damien's house is very quiet. *T F*
- 5 The children aren't very good friends. *T F*

Explore adjectives

Find the opposites of these adjectives in the text.

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| 1 unlucky <i>lucky</i> | 3 quiet | 5 bad |
| 2 small | 4 unhappy | |

Language focus 1 *have got*

Complete the examples from the text

	I / We / You / They	He / She / It
+	They fifteen children.	The house has got seven bedrooms.
-	They haven't got a car.	Damien jobs to do.
?	Have you got a brother or a sister?	Has he got a house?
+	Yes, I have.	Yes, he has .
-	No, I haven't.	No, he